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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: CVIS, SREF, AR  
SUBJECT: EXPANDED REFUGEE PAROLE PROGRAM IN ARGENTINA

REF: STATE 306328

1. REFTEL REQUESTS EMBASSY ADVISE DEPARTMENT ON POSSIBILITY OF REPRISALS AGAINST APPLICANTS IN ARGENTINA OR AGAINST RELATIVES STILL RESIDING IN COUNTRY OF ORIGIN AS A RESULT OF OUTSIDE SECURITY CHECKS CONDUCTED IN CONNECTION WITH PAROLE APPLICATIONS. BASED ON EXPERIENCE TO DATE OF UNHCR WITH OTHER COUNTRIES' PROGRAMS, AT LEAST AS REGARDS CHILEANS AND URUGUAYANS, POSSIBILITY OF REPRISALS IS MINIMAL. UNHCR SOURCES SAY THEY ARE UNAWARE OF ANY SUCH CASES. CANADIAN-CHILEAN REFUGEE PROGRAM HAS CONDUCTED CHECKS WITH CHILEAN SECURITY AGENCIES IN APPROXIMATELY 1,000 CASES WITH NO REPORTED UNFORTUNATE CONSEQUENCES. APPLICANTS FOR BOTH CANADIAN AND FOR US REFUGEE PAROLE PROGRAMS ARE ADVISED THAT OUTSIDE SECURITY CHECKS WILL BE DONE IN COUNTRY OF ORIGIN, AND THIS HAS NOT DETERRED APPLICANTS. ALL REFUGEE APPLICANTS SO FAR INTERVIEWED BY EMBASSY HAVE ALREADY VOLUNTARILY REGISTERED THEMSELVES WITH GOAS AS REFUGEES, SO GOA IS AWARE OF THEIR PRESENCE IN COUNTRY AND FURTHER LOCAL OUTSIDE CHECKS SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT ENDANGER THEM FURTHER. SINCE EMBASSY CONSIDERS OUTSIDE  
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CHECKS INDISPENSABLE TO ASSURE NO UNDESIRABLE ALIENS ADMITTED TO US, WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT WE SHOULD BE MORE CAUTIOUS THAN REFUGEES THEMSELVES WITH REGARD TO ANY RISKS INVOLVED WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT SECURITY AGENCY CHECKS.

2. WITH REGARD TO DEPARTMENT'S REQUEST FOR ASSESSMENT OF THE RELIABILITY OF INFORMATION PERCEIVED FROM LOCAL SECURITY

AGENCIES, EMBASSY PREFERS TO AWAIT RESULTS OF OUR INITIAL REQUESTS FOR CHECKS. WE HAVE SOME LIMITED CAPABILITY FOR CROSS-CHECKING INFORMATION FROM LOCAL AGENCIES AS, WE UNDERSTAND, DOES EMBASSY SANTIAGO, AND THIS SHOULD BE HELPFUL IN MAKING AN ASSESSMENT. GIVEN GENERALLY NON-PROFESSIONAL STATUS OF ORGANIZATION AND RETRIEVABILITY OF INFORMATION IN FILES OF VARIOUS GOA SECURITY AGENCIES, WE WOULD SPECULATE THAT GOA WILL BE UNABLE TO PROVIDE ALL INFORMATION IN ITS FILES EVEN THOUGH ITS INTENTIONS MAY BE THE BEST. AS IS USUALLY THE CASE, RELIABILITY OF INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM ANY GOA AGENCY DEPENDS ON WHEN INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED, BY WHOM, ON WHOM, AND FOR WHAT PURPOSE, AND EACH REPORT MUST BE EVALUATED WITH THESE ASPECTS IN MIND.

3. GIVEN GENERALLY FAVORABLE REPLIES FROM SANTIAGO AND MONTEVIDEO TO DEPARTMENT'S QUESTION POSED PARAGRAPH ONE, EMBASSY REQUESTS AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT OUTSIDE CHECKS ON URUGUAYAN AND CHILEAN APPLICANTS FOR PAROLE PROGRAM IN ARGENTINA.  
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